

METHODS OF USING A *MYCOBACTERIUM TUBERCULOSIS* CODING SEQUENCE TO FACILITATE STABLE AND HIGH YIELD EXPRESSION OF HETEROLOGOUS PROTEINS

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 The present invention relates generally to nucleic acid and amino acid sequences of a fusion polypeptide comprising a *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* polypeptide, and a heterologous polypeptide of interest, expression vectors and host cells comprising such nucleic acids, and methods for producing such fusion polypeptides. In particular, the invention relates to materials and methods of using such *M. tuberculosis* sequence as a fusion 10 partner to facilitate the stable and high yield expression of recombinant heterologous polypeptides of both eukaryotic and prokaryotic origin.

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